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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of October 1, 1998, applicants hereby elect without traverse the invention of Group II (i.e., claims 28-51).

Applicants also inform the Examiner that a Third Information Disclosure Statement is filed in connection with the above application substantially concurrently herewith. If this additional Information Disclosure Statement is not made of record at the time the Examiner desires to examine the elected claims on the merits, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned to obtain a copy of the Information Disclosure Statement.

Respectfully submitted,

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